

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 November 12 2015 to 0600 November 13 2015



Yosemite National Park on 11/10/15.

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SITUATION SUMMARY

International News – Significant Events

Evidence mounts that British Islamic State leader killed in air strike

The United States targeted British Islamic State leader "Jihadi John" in an air strike in northern Syria and evidence was growing on Friday that he was killed. A U.S. official said Thursday's attack in the town of Raqqa probably killed Mohammed Emwazi, a British citizen who was nicknamed "Jihadi John" after appearing in videos showing the killings of American and British hostages. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a monitoring group, said four foreign militants had been killed in U.S. air strikes.

National News – Significant Events

El Nino sends rare tropical visitors to California waters

El Nino's warm currents have brought fish in an unexpected spectrum of shapes and colors from Mexican waters to the ocean off California's coast, thrilling scientists with the sight of bright tropical species and giving anglers the chance of a once-in-a-lifetime big catch. Creatures that have made a splash by venturing north in the past several weeks range from a whale shark, a gentle plankton-eating giant that ranks as the world's largest fish and was seen off Southern California, to two palm-sized pufferfish, a species with large and endearing eyes, that washed ashore on the state's central coast. Scientists say El Nino, a periodic warming of ocean surface temperatures in the eastern and central Pacific, has sent warm waves to California's coastal waters that make them more hospitable to fish from the tropics.



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Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

- The next storm system will push through the region Saturday night through Sunday evening bringing rain, snow, and gusty winds to the region. Forecaster confidence is high that the Sierra will see several inches of snow with light amounts in the lower valleys.
- A cold and dry air mass will continue to bring overnight low temperatures to near or just below freezing to interior valleys of San Luis Obispo County again this morning. The coldest area will be the Antelope Valley, in Los Angeles County, where several hours of temperatures at or below 28 degrees are expected this morning.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

High pressure will maintain dry weather across the region through tonight. A cold front will move across northwest California Saturday night bringing a period of moderate to heavy rain. Cooler air and a chance of showers will follow on Sunday.

Medford Weather:

The main adjustment to the forecast this morning was to continue increasing winds in the Saturday night period and to issue an accompanying high wind watch for Siskiyou County

Reno Weather:

A warming trend with dry weather is expected today and Saturday as high pressure over California weakens. Low pressure moving quickly across the region late Saturday night through Sunday will bring gusty winds. Snow will produce travel impacts in the sierra from Sunday morning through Sunday night, with slick roads also possible later Sunday in lower elevations as rain changes to snow.

San Francisco Weather:

Sunny and mild today through Saturday with highs in the 60s to around 70 with clouds quickly increasing Saturday evening with rain moving into the North Bay Saturday night and reaching the Bay Area by early Sunday morning. A quick burst of moderate rain with the frontal passage with most precipitation ending by late morning or midday Sunday. High pressure rebuilds next week with another round of sunny and mild days followed by clear and cool nights.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

Dry weather expected for today and Saturday. The next Pacific storm is forecast to move into Northwest California Saturday night then across the North state by Sunday morning. Moderate precipitation is expected with this system with snow levels a little lower than previous storms. Light precipitation will be possible across the northern portions of the state Monday through Friday. Otherwise dry conditions expected with daytime temperatures warming to near normal.

Hanford Weather:

Expect dry conditions while temperatures continue below average through Saturday. Patchy dense fog will be possible during the nighttime and morning hours in the San Joaquin Valley over the next several days. Another low pressure system will bring the next chance for precipitation to the area by Sunday.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Clear skies and moderate offshore winds will persist through Saturday morning. Above normal temperatures for coast and coastal valleys expected as well, then cooler conditions on Sunday with a chance of showers, with the best chance for areas North of Point Conception. Expect windy conditions early next week and temperatures to drop to below normal as the trough moves through. High pressure will build in Tuesday for more offshore winds with fair skies and a warming trend into Thursday.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

A Santa Ana weather pattern will continue warm days with cool nights and gusty offshore winds in and below the wind prone mountain passes through Saturday. On Sunday a low pressure trough will approach from the North and shift winds onshore and briefly rebuild the marine layer. A gusty cold front will pass through our region Sunday afternoon or Sunday evening and create cooler windy weather through Monday along with scattered light rain showers and with snow showers possible in the mountains. Dry offshore flow will return next week as surface high pressure rebuilds over the great basin.

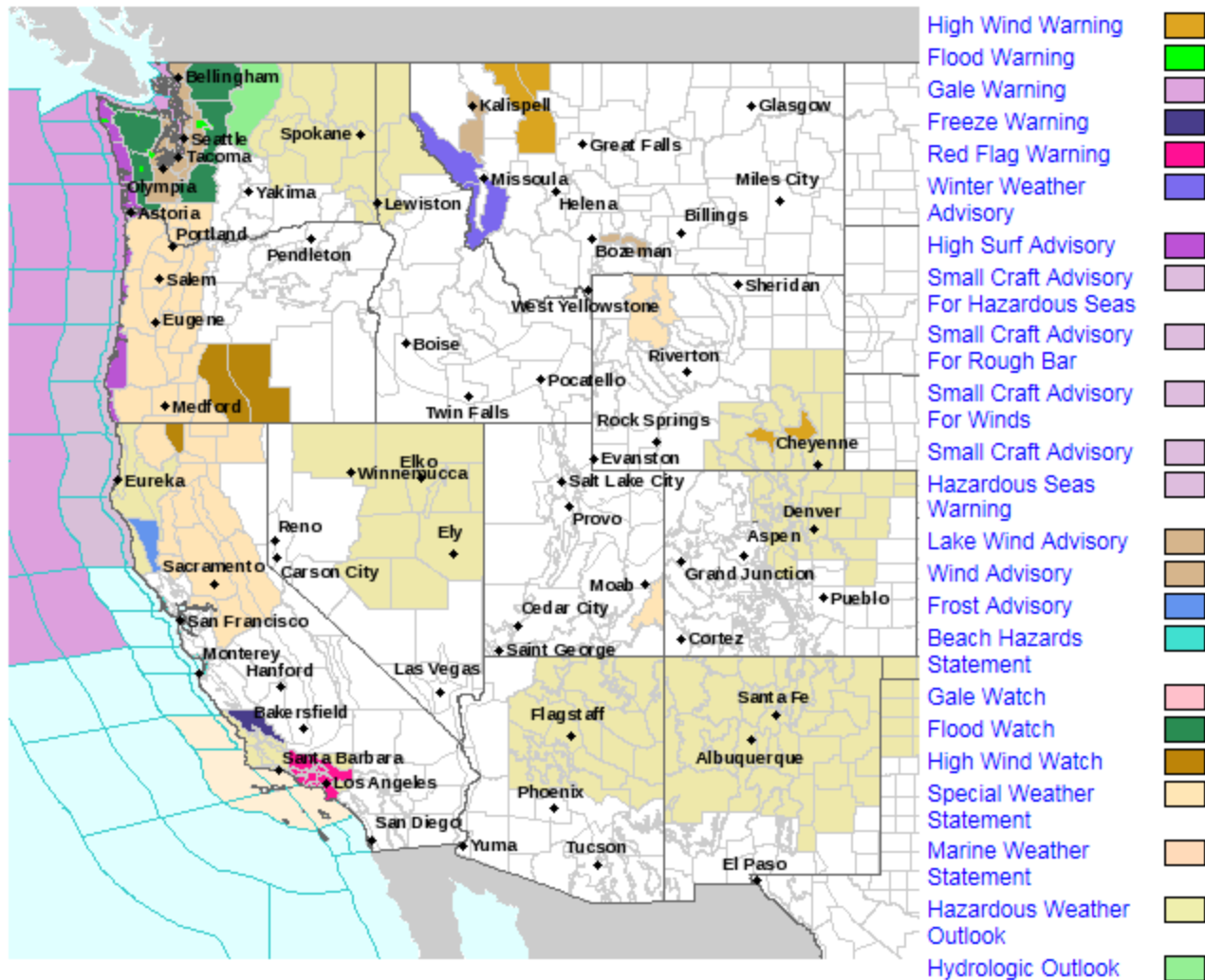
Southeast California Weather:

Seasonably warm weather will persist through the weekend however a couple of weather disturbances will affect the region Sunday and Monday. Much colder weather will also spill into the area behind these weather systems early next week before moderating temperatures return during the middle and end of next week.



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STATE WEATHER MAP



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

CAL OES Recovery

Inyo County Flooding

- Inyo County experienced flooding October 15 through October 18, 2105, in Death Valley and requested assistance from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Although the county did not report physical losses to homes and businesses, information indicated there may be economic losses to businesses. Cal OES IA is currently working with Inyo County on capturing economic loss information for businesses. If the County is able to provide information to the State that reveals at least five businesses have suffered substantial economic injury within 120 days from the incident period of the disaster, a formal request may be sent from Cal OES requesting SBA implement its Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL).

Los Angeles County Flooding

- On October 15, 2015, heavy rain and hail occurred in the Palmdale-Lancaster area at approximately 3:00 pm, which caused mudslides and flash floods, and resulted in road closures, stranded vehicles, power outages and other damages. Portions of Interstate 5 and other roads in the area were closed. Evacuation centers were opened for those not sheltering in place as necessary. Areas most impacted by the incident include the unincorporated areas of Lake Elizabeth, Hughes Lake, Leona Valley, Green Valley and the cities of Lancaster and Palmdale. Currently, a gubernatorial State of Emergency has not been proclaimed. Los Angeles County opened a Local Assistance Center (LAC) October 30-31, 2015, and November 7, 2015. State participation included representatives from the Department of Motor Vehicles, Contractors State License Board, and Department of Insurance. On November 4-5, 2015, representatives from Los Angeles County, Cal OES IA, and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) conducted a joint preliminary damage assessment (PDA). Based on the findings, Cal OES submitted a request for a physical loss disaster declaration to SBA on November 12, 2015. If a declaration is approved, SBA will make low-interest loans available to homeowners, renters, businesses, and private non-profit organizations to apply.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC every other Monday at 1100 hours.

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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 62 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 28 Counties: Butte, Colusa, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.